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1. About 15 January 1951, 150 Trudovaks began working to clear the old cement machine gun posts located in the area from Nova Mahala to Mezek. At the same time the anti-tank trench located in the same area was being deepened.
2. During the summer of 1950 anti-personnel and anti-tank mines were placed in the area from the railroad line. RG 6453. up to the Maritsa River and at location RG 6952. [redacted] they were not going to use the anti-personnel mines because six soldiers were wounded while on patrol.
3. During the summer of 1950 barbed-wire fences of six strands with two vertical strands between posts were placed along the length of the border from the railroad line up to location RG 6050. These wires have been placed on wooden posts 1.80 meters high.

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